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The final figures are in for the Disaster Food Stamp Program which began September 9, 2008, and ended October 2, 2008. During the more than three week period 609,595 households were approved for DFSP benefits. That represents 1,531,738 people who received \$208,474,969 in benefits as a result of hurricanes Gustav and Ike. Benefits were denied to 38,475 applicants.

I. GUSTAV - DISASTER FOOD STAMP TOTALS BY PARISH

Parish	Households	Persons	Total Benefits	Denied
Acadia	9225	24,297	\$3,260,828	945
Allen	4782	11,912	\$1,586,499	486
Ascension	13,729	40,961	\$5,249,761	788
Assumption	5287	13,866	\$1,758,899	370
Avoyelles	7848	18,658	\$2,459,936	609
Beauregard	5161	13,502	\$1,895,223	580
Calcasieu	36,630	84,803	\$12,080,626	3043
Cameron	1150	2987	\$419,788	210
Catahoula	1562	3427	\$492,428	205
E. Baton Rouge	68,116	165,352	\$22,225,533	3331
E. Feliciana	3263	8372	\$1,106,984	248
Evangeline	5652	14,182	\$1,928,677	768
Franklin	2524	6105	\$866,096	232
Grant	2365	5872	\$830,150	222
Iberia	13,720	35,162	\$4,769,817	1166
Iberville	6884	16,571	\$2,154,238	345
Jefferson	85,085	227,777	\$30,862,087	3988
Jeff Davis	4751	12,120	\$1,710,523	577
Lafayette	25,145	63,057	\$8,579,553	1575
Lafourche	15,873	41,678	\$5,599,540	1347
LaSalle	1582	3826	\$543,182	233
Livingston	15,636	45,757	\$5,895,472	865
Orleans	70,309	155,272	\$21,580,475	2238
Plaquemines	3799	9858	\$1,322,926	180
Pointe Coupee	4325	10,414	\$1,356,063	275
Rapides	21,737	52,407	\$6,701,492	1387
Sabine	3014	7679	\$1,083,826	316
St. Bernard	6326	16,446	\$2,274,597	324


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St. Charles	7828	21,915	\$2,993,479	503
St. Helena	1883	4147	\$591,890	122
St. James	4800	12,690	\$1,600,321	221
St. John	10,784	29,935	\$3,899,688	466
St. Landry	15,601	39,383	\$5,397,402	1164
St. Martin	8961	23,407	\$3,208,762	593
St. Mary	12,781	31,558	\$4,268,210	828
St. Tammany	24,242	67,832	\$9,092,914	2235
Tangipahoa	22,069	55,235	\$7,308,751	1130
Terrebonne	22,121	59,121	\$7,909,726	1672
Vermillion	8032	21,440	\$2,974,042	635
Vernon	5722	16,094	\$2,242,485	973
Washington	8556	19,341	\$2,766,866	694
W. Baton Rouge	3894	9567	\$1,263,859	181
W. Feliciana	1481	3753	\$477,851	187

Gustav Totals: 604,235 households received benefits representing 1,527,738 persons in the amount of \$206,591,465. Benefits were denied to 38,458 households.

II. IKE - DISASTER FOOD STAMP TOTALS BY PARISH

Parish	Households	Persons	Total Benefits	Denied
Acadia	40	106	\$14,904	1
Beauregard	23	58	\$8194	2
Calcasieu	397	910	\$129,716	5
Cameron	27	68	\$9598	1
Iberia	1	1	\$162	0
Jefferson	33	77	\$10,908	0
Jeff Davis	597	1587	\$222,505	5
Lafourche	5	10	\$1482	0
Sabine	308	691	\$99,233	1
Terrebonne	36	84	\$12,028	0
Vermillion	12	35	\$4866	0
Vernon	234	619	\$87,252	1

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Ike Totals: 1,713 households representing 4,246 persons received benefits in the amount of \$600,848. Benefits were denied to 16 households.

The department also processed 3,647 Texas households and issued \$1,282,656 in disaster food stamp benefits to those families who evacuated to Louisiana due to Hurricane Ike.

This was one of the largest disaster food stamp operations in U.S. history. I want to express my deepest gratitude to all DSS employees because it was your extreme commitment and extraordinary hard work that made it happen. Thank you all.

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